UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

SONJA R. GRIFFIN-ROBINSON,

Plaintiff.

-against-

ANTHONY SALOU, et al.,

Defendants.

20cv02712 (PAE) (DF)

ORDER OF SERVICE

## **DEBRA FREEMAN, United States Magistrate Judge:**

Currently before this Court in the above-captioned action is a request by *pro se* plaintiff
Sonja R. Griffin-Robison ("Plaintiff"), for assistance in effecting service of process on four of
the named Defendants in case – specifically Sergeant Darwin Marrero, Police Officer
Marilin Peralta, Police Office Jacquelynn Opirhory, and Police Officer Richard DiDonato. (*See*Dkt. 33; *see also* Dkt. 31.) As Plaintiff has been granted permission to proceed in this action *in forma pauperis*, she is entitled to rely on the Court and the U.S. Marshals Service to effect
service. *See Walker v. Schult*, 717 F.3d. 119, 123 (2d Cir. 2013); 28 U.S.C. § 1915(d); Fed. R.
Civ. P. 4(c)(3). Here, the Marshals Service previously attempted to serve each of the Defendants
with process, but service could not be effected on the four identified individuals (*see* Dkts. 24,
25, 26, 29), apparently because they could not be located at the addresses that had previously
been provided.

Rule 4(m) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure generally requires service of the summons and complaint to be completed within 90 days of the date the summons issues, and it is Plaintiff's responsibility to request, if necessary, an extension of time for service. *Meilleur v. Strong*, 682 F.3d 56, 63 (2d Cir. 2012). In this instance, this Court finds that Plaintiff has acted with diligence to follow-up on service issues and to request additional time. (*See* Dkts. 30, 33.)

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Further, counsel for the City of New York has now provided new addresses for each of the four

defendants who still need to be served, so that the Marshals Service should now be able to effect

service. (See Dkt. 31.)

To allow Plaintiff to effect service on defendants Marrero, Peralta, Opirhory, and

DiDonato through the Marshals Service, the Clerk of Court is instructed to fill out a new

U.S. Marshals Service Process Receipt and Return form ("USM-285 form") for each of these

defendants, with the addresses that have now been provided to the Court. The Clerk of Court is

further instructed to issue a summons and deliver to the Marshals Service all of the paperwork

necessary for the Marshals Service to effect service upon these particular defendants.

Dated:

February 8, 2021

New York, New York

SO ORDERED

DEBRA FREEMAN

United States Magistrate Judge

Copies to

Plaintiff (via ECF)

All counsel (via ECF)

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## DEFENDANTS TO BE SERVED, AND SERVICE ADDRESSES

- Sergeant Darwin Marrero:
   25th Precinct
   120 East 119th Street
   New York, NY 10035
- Police Officer Marilin Peralta
   20th Precinct
   120 West 82nd Street
   New York, NY 10024
- 3. Police Officer Jacquelynn Opirhory Candidate Assessment Division 235 East 20th Street New York, NY 10003
- 4. Police Officer Richard DiDonato
  Police Laboratory, Firearms Analysis Section
  150-14 Jamaica Avenue
  Jamaica, NY 11432